

HCV ASSAY

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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An HCV antigen/antibody/antigen assay is provided. The assay employs an isolated first antigen from a region of the HCV polyprotein, and an HCV multiple epitope fusion antigen that includes an epitope from the same region of the polyprotein as the first antigen. Both the first antigen and the multiple epitope fusion antigen bind 10 antibodies present in an HCV-infected sample.